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Suggestions to Capitalists.

-mi The Lonisville & Nashville railroad com- his money on the prospect of either be- a line to Newport News? It would give pany and to capitalists in general which coming great commercial centers will sink the L. & N. the best scaport on the coast, we hope they will not deem unworthy of it. Norfolk, though possessing superior except Newport; it would enable the line their attention.

New York has become an enormous city: to location. The Elizabeth river is ob-Philadelphia is the third city in the Union: structed by bars and shoals, which make The project is worthy of that great cor-Baltimore is a slow moving, but steadily navigation difficult at low tide, and render poration, and when consummated-and it growing, commercial emporium; Norfolk the employment of tugs and pilots an exis startling its old inhabitants by the new pensive necessity. It has little harbor prove a master stroke of commercial life it is showing, and even Newport News room, and the channel is too narrow for enterprise. is rising like a magic city on the banks of easy ingress. Baltimore is about two hunthe James. Yet there is one spot on York dred miles from the sea, and every ship river that has natural advantages over that leaves her harbor for the ocean must them all, and whose population has not pass within sight of Yorktown. It may increased 200 in two hundred years.

that all that vast productive belt of coun- and difficult route, making a circuit of try lying between latitude 34 degrees and hundreds of miles, to earlich the railroad 42 degrees north, has two natural outlets bondholders and merchants of Baltimore's upon the ocean coasts, San Francisco on This costly circuit is made to pay tribute the west and Yorktown on the east. Both to Baltimore; and the West, with full points lie nearly on the same line of lati- power to stop the exaction, allows it to tude, and the harbor of each affords continue. Large ships must go under the the same depth of water, viz.: 33 feet tow of tugs to the capes, preferring to at the channel entrance. This is 8 feet pay the heavy price of towage for two more than the New York harbor affords, hundred miles than incur the hazard and 15 more than Baltimore and 10 more than delay of sailing down the Chesapeake from Norfolk. With the charts of the United Baltimore to the ocean. York river has States Coast Surveys of 1857 and 1872, deeper water, a more roomy harbor, is on and the report of Lieutenant Commanding an air line with the most productive sec-Almy, before us, it is easy to show the tions of the West, is accessible to railroads advantages which Yorktown has over any and within sight of the sea. Commerc other port on our coast for the shipment of loves direct lines; it will seek and ultithat vast produce which is annually poured metely find them, in spite of Boston, of out from the richest belt of country on New York and Baltimore to force it into the continent. In his report Lieutenant artificial and destructive channels. The Commanding Almy says:

to Yorktown, without pronouncing it a harbor of the first-class. There is no bar at the mouth of this river, and the least town. water to be passed over in entering it is 33 feet at low tide, near the tail of the Spit, in Chesapeake bay. After passing this the water deepens to six, seven and eight fathoms, increasing up the channel to eleven and twelve fathoms abreast of Yorktown, where the shore is very bold. and wharves carried out 50 feet would strike four and a half and five fathoms of water. The channel of the river is more than a mile in width, and with a few buoys and beacons judiciously placed the heaviest line of battle-ships could beat up of down the river without the least difficulty. Yorktown is situated about thirty nautical miles from the entrance of the river nel above. into Chesapeake bay. The location is elevated, and it could be easily fortified at a moderate expense against attack, either by land or water. It affords a harbor sufcial marine, and next to Newport, R. I., it is, in my judgment, the safest and most

This is the language of the very capabl officer appointed to survey the Chesapeake bay and its tributaries; but he might have to their distance from that parallel. There bay will prove more clearly than any argu- to New York when a direct line can be harbor from wind or wave. No sea roll- the ocean, vast distance saved, and the ing from the ocean can reach the shipping cost of transportation lessened. anchored in it without being broken by the shoals of Too's Point, Poquosin and river, we make an extract from a report Drum Island on the south, where the water varies in depth from one to five feet, scientific marine engineer of the century, while the seas rolling from the north, He says: down the Chesapeake, waste their fury on York Spit, which stretches out its solid arm to beat them back.

The channel is one mile wide at the tail of the Spit, but the harbor is thoroughly protected whatever may be the rage of the sea in the bay or in the ocean. It will also be seen that the heaviest ships need as to give it the appearance of a canal currency has been going on for years. only the pilots of chart and compass to enter with safety, and any wind that that a very important one, from all the the national bank currency not yet surbrings them into the capes will bring them other principal feeders of the Chesapeake to Yorktown with but slight variation of bay. sails. No tugs will be required either for their lowest falls. Before they pass these inward or outward bound ships, for the they have received the waters with the meantime allows the banks to deposit same reason; and when Yorktown is mud and silt of all their principal tribuother security, this additional amount of the great tribustory and the small say mill to the great tribustory and the small say mill to the great tribustory and the small say mill to the great tribustory and the small say mill to the great tribustory and the small say mill to the great tribustory and the small say mill to the great tribustory and the small say mill to the great tribustory and the small say mill to the great tribustory and the small say mill to the great tribustory and the small say mill to the great tribustory and tribust reached they may ride safely at anchor taries. As soon as the turbid water of notes must be surrendered on or before through any storm in water that varies these streams-and in times of flood they from six to eight fathoms and where the river channel extends from shore to shore. The lighthouses at the tail of the Spit and that all three of these rivers are raising proaching session, and some remedy for at Too's Point are within sight of the capes, and the inbound ship may steadily with hold her course during the darkest and tomac near Georgetown and Washington, tinue to suffer from a stringency in the stormiest night from the ocean to the harbor. The river above Yorktown affords ample depth of water for a distance of but where now the lightest skiff can fifteen miles, and though none but the scarcely pass, so much mud have those smaller ships, drawing less than thirteen rivers brought down and deposited in the feet, can safely move above that spot where feet, can safely move above that spot where the channel is broken and intricate, this rivers meet the tide from the sea, the space will afford ample room for the ship- rapidity of their flood is checked and the

Yorktown is situated upon the southern bank of the river, on an elevation of 80 Where the running streams from the land feet, which gradualy slopes as you go in- meet the flow of tide from the sea, there land-a fact that favors the construction of elevators on the bank, and greatly bars are formed. This is a law of nature. facilitates the loading and unloading of cargoes. There are several bold creeks, affording an ample supply of fresh water for ships going to sea, and for a resident population of 100,000 inhaitants. But Na- long before they came together. Moreture, leaving nothing undone that could over; these streams themselves receive no solicit the enterprise of commerce, has large tributaries. The tide runs far up bewildered capitalist at a distance with testimonial of their appreciation of his public brought the fresh water of James river as head waters, when in a swollen state, far down as a point nearly opposite on the bring down to them is generally deposited other side of the peninsula, and at a distance of only five or eight miles from the heaviest rains, and when the Matta-Yorktown. The river, which is too muddy stage, the mud with which their upper and turbid for healthy use for some dis- waters are charged is for the most part tance below Richmond, deposits its freight deposited before if gets to York river, for of sediment before it reaches the point indicated, and by means of pipes running less than ten miles an ample supply of the Pamunkey and Mattapony are pure, clear water could be secured for a up their beds some sixty or eighty miles city as large as London. When it is reeity as large as London. When it is re-membered that most large cities in this so small in comparison with that discountry and in Europe have found it charged by the Potomac, and the Rappanecessary to extend their pipes for a dis- hannock and the James, that the York suffer. He ignores physical facts and is tance of from 50 to 150 miles to obtain an river, alternately emptying and filling its merely carried away by the speculative adequate supply of fresh water, this ad-

vantage will not be undervalued. It is to these two rivers what the Chesa-

cult, and the shoals which obstruct and render dangerous the passage of ships, even as near its mouth as Newport News, preclude the possibility of building a large city anywhere on its banks. Richmond manence.' has been painfully struggling to acquire commercial importance, but her situation must always defeat her efforts and conat the mouths of the Mattapony and Pafifteen feet of water respectively, and the town's day will come. broken and shifting character of the chan-False physical conceptions are sometimes equal We have some suggestions to make to foolish and always costly, and he who puts the C. & O. railroad company have secured advantages to Richmond or West Point, Capital, like fortune, has singular freaks. cannot compare with Yorktown in respect Mississippi with its many arms and conwell be asked why should the commerce of From a glance at the map it will be seen the West be taxed to pursue a circuitous

fight is one between Nature and capital. "No one can look at the chart of the and though the former is slow in assert lower part of York river, from its entrance ing her empire, she will win, and the next Centennial may be celebrated at York-The old system of loading and unloading by hand or horse-power has been rev-

olutionized by the use of steam, and large

ships and deep water will win over shallow

ships and shoals. The channel at the entrance of Ne York harbor is shifting and uncertain, requiring frequent soundings and skillful pilotage. At best it is only 27 feet at low water, while York has 33 feet at the tail of the spit, a channel a mile wide and S fathoms of depth, and a still wider chan-

A glance at the map will show the immense area which will pour out its products through this port. From the southficient for the largest navy and commer- ern part of the lakes to Vicksburg, commerce will find Yorktown the best nearer to it than to New York, and all secured by bonds has been \$5,248,548 shouting?" asked a by stander; "that's commodious harbor in the United States." and nearest port. Chicago is fifty miles points South are nearer still in proportion said more. A glance at the chart of the is no reason why a circuit should be made ment how admirably Nature protects this followed to this deep-mouthed cut into

> As to the permanent depth of York of the late Commodore Maury, the most

> river is the noblest of them all. Formed by the junction of the Pamunkey and Mattapony at West Point, it continues thence southeast to the bay, and that by with boundless capacities.

"York river differs in one respect, and The Potomac, the Rappahannock, are very, very muddy—deaps the falls and that date.

This mat mence to settle, and the consequence is attention of up their beds and obstructing their channels, particularly near the head of tide, the depletion of our circulating medium bars. This is the case with the Poand the Rappahannock at Fredericksburg. There are places in front of these citie where large sea-going crafts used to lie, occasional panies.

way of navigation. ping that may have occasion to occupy it. deposit of sediment commences. Hence the most rapid filling up of channels takes place at and near the head of tide water is always a conflict, and in this conflict of cial and manufacturing supremacy. waters a deposit of sediment is made and

"On the other hand, the York river is heavy deposit of sediment been made both of them, and the mud which their before they join to form the York. meets tide water and begins to ebb and flow to reach West Point. Consequently above West Point, and the volume of than a dozen houses,-all are being which he said he was very happy. "The honor two confluents with the tide, is more like an arm of the sea than an inland stream.

invested with the characteristics of per-

capital, some day, near or remote. Why demn her to the slaggish progress of an they have not already been considered by inland city. The bars which are formed those large interests that are now exhibiting such activity about Norfolk and munkey rivers, affording only thirteen and Newport News, is a mystery. But York-

Now why cannot the L. & N. railroad nel of York river for some distance below company secure an independent line from the confluence of these two rivers, also Big Stone Gap to Yorktown, just as the a combinaton does exist here? render it impossible for West Point ever Norfolk & Western has secured a mogrowing section to Norfolk, and just as to gather in the commerce of the vast centrate it on this main line to Yorktown.

### The Financial Crisis.

A combination of causes came near both in Europe and in this country last

A heavy loan of the Argentine Republie was some time ago floated by the Baring Bros. The bonds were taken by the firm and by its patrons, and as soon as the financial difficulties of that country to do so; and while under the strain, the Russian government suddenly withdrew from the house \$12,500,000, as it withdrew \$5,000,000 from a French bank in 1889 which caused the collapse of the copper trust and drove the manager of the bank

The Bank of England, the Bank of France and the Scotch banks however came to the rescue of the imperiled firm. raised a guarantee fund and saved it from wreck. The Barings are said to have the individual members of the firm is directly. estimated at \$5,000,000.

These disturbed conditions of the Euopean market however gave the bears of were prompt to utilize. There has been a eash. We have hardly as much currency

tal of the country. According to the last monthly statement of the comptroller of the currency on the condition of the national bank

still larger. from the Chesapeake bay and embellish issue of silver bullion notes to the amount government anspices. Gould therefore river to the Rio Grande there is nothing from the Chesapeake bay and embellish Eastern Virginia with noble sheets of of \$4,500,000 per month; but against this has it in for him. Knowing that Wana- of the United States was computed at \$44,water, and commercially speaking, York sum comes the reduction of the national maker is largely interested in the securibank currency of \$2,620,300 per month, ties of the Reading railroad, the wizard to be \$64,000,000,000,an increase of \$2,000,a course so singularly straight and direct while the decrease in the national bank points. It is said that Wanamaker had

> It should be remembered, too, that of per cent bonds, which will mature next cial. September; and unless Congress in the

This matter will doubtless attract the attention of Congress early in the apapplied at once. Otherwise we must conmoney market and have to contend with

# Words for the Wise.

There is a feeling of buoyanev in the air tion can be cured. chout Big Stone Gap. This heroic little community, after bearing bravely the re-

One great difficulty has been its inactidal streams in which the conflict of it will have no direct line to any of the tions of them. waters has already taken place and leading cities; and when every little town even a moderate belief in our great super- services and as an emblem of congratulation on iority over any location in the country or his recent happy marriage. A delegation, ac-

After out of it. Companies are selling lots at fabulous prices in towns that have absolutely no hope of any considerable growth. Places that have but one railroad and will not it takes this mud several days after it first likely have another within a century; that you know already what suits your husstations that can never hope to have more ful. Mr. Massey made a graceful reply, in actual loss. boomed. Of course the ill advise capitalist who invests his money in them must

affords such combined advantages. The bring down is filling the bay up about as fast as the sediment of the Pamunkey and its fellow is filling up the York. Consequently the York, which is now navigable for ships of the largest class, will probably remain so for ages yet to come. bly remain so for ages yet to come. The iron ores outside of the magnetic district the past week, and it is likely that the ten navigation of the York river, therefore, is and even being within seventy-five miles dollar gold pieces will be invested in an East of that district if not nearer; with the Big Stone Gap lot. It certainly would be a It is safe to say that these facts will finest timber north of the tropics; with good place to put them. form the basis of some combination of a great water power, an admirable situation, and being the converging point of vast railroad systems, one had as well that he was struck with the intelligence of the maintain that water will cease to run young men here, and the compliment is well down hill as to assert that this will not become a large and populous city.

What more can the investor ask? Where and who will question the fact that such

There is absolutely no controversy on to become more than a feeder for York. nopoly of the business of this rapidly the subject. All intelligent persons admit the facts. Those who have examined them most closely are most impressed with their magnitude and importance. They solve the problem and they settle the question of ultimate supremacy.

## A Commercial Club Building.

The suggestion made at the Commercial Club meeting Friday by Mr. Joshua F. Bullitt, jr., is an excellent ore, and should could be easily consummated-would receive the unqualified support of the simply to organize a joint stock company, secure certain grants from one of the land companies, and construct a handsome building which will contain a large hall. precipitating widespread financial disaster adapted to public meetings and also for religious services. The store-rooms, offices and lodging rooms of the building could be easily rented for a handsome dividend on the investment and the hall would be secured in addition.

Such a structure is badly needed at the Gap. If we had a spacious hall, associawith those whom it had induced to pur- During the spring, summer and fall par-

Besides a large hall is necessary for the other local organizations. It would attract larger crowds at our regular meetings and

Every public-spirited citizen should contribute to the enterprise or rather invest in it, for private as well as public reasons, since there is almost a certaint \$35,000,000 of the finest commercial paper that it will pay handsome returns on every in the world, and the personal property of dollar invested, not only indirectly but

GEN, JOHN B, GORDON has been elected deal of speculation in this country and that organization, was badly beaten. nomination of the Alliance caucus. Goris we need for the enormous industrial don, however, beat down all opposition. the ordinary demands upon the cash capinow Calhoun doubtless feels like the are cheaper. man who went to hear the eloquent Whit-field preach. Some one arose, whom he transferred from the North to the South. took for Whitfield, and the fellow shouted, Mr. Carnegie, indeed, regards the South note issue, it seems the net decrease in rolled on the ground and appeared in an that portion of their circulation which is ecstacy of religious fervor. "Why are you thority, the Hon Chauncey M. Depew, says not Whitfield." "Then," replied the shout- while equally potent is the statement made er," rising and brushing the dust from

It is not in the democracy to pursue a wise policy. | were 1,898 miles, | built in the South. The House of the next Congress will do good work

leader. He should have remembered the Byron puts it.

There seems little doubt that Dr. Koch's experiments demonstrate that consump- months.

## AIRY TONGUES.

town fighting against rivalries and with something wonderful to behold. The bolly, too, inadequate opportunities for letting the with its blood-red berries and green leaves, is gressive movement, we are bound to conworld know what is here, is about to a rich ornament alike to the mountain valleys the boom. move ahead along the road to commercessibility. Until January, when the winter fern is now in its full glory, and the "On the other hand, the York river is winter fern is now in its full glory, and the winter fern is now in its full glory, and the winter fern is now in its full glory, and the in working, whilst trucks can be loaded by two L. & N. road will be completed to this point, ladies have been making some beautiful selection from the mines. The important of the complete fern is now in its full glory, and the in working, whilst trucks can be loaded by gravitation from the mines. The important of the complete fern is now in its full glory, and the in working, whilst trucks can be loaded by gravitation from the mines. The important of the complete fern is now in its full glory, and the in working, whilst trucks can be loaded by gravitation from the mines. The important of the complete fern is now in its full glory, and the in working, whilst trucks can be loaded by gravitation from the mines.

> The superintendents of the public schools seng, it has been difficult to impress the sey a purse of five hundred dollars in gold, as a companied by the Governor of the State, visited the office of Public Instructon and the presentation was made to the bride by Superintendent Murray in a pretty speech, in which he said the committee had wisely left the selection of of capturing one of Alabama's brightest jewels and transferring her to Virginia," he added, "is an abundant source of happiness.' The bride was "tastily attired in a silver-

gray silk, with diamond ornaments." After fever that pervades this entire country. the purse was presented the Attorney-General Here he has only to study the situation, of the State "stepped forward and presented bright uniforms of the men of the bridal party, who There is no point on the James river or peake bay is to the streams which empty and the more he studies it the more strong- Mrs. Massey with a large and beautiful basket were all army officers.

above Vorktown or the York river that into it and the sediment which these ly impressed he will be that Big Stone of choice flowers, saying, We crown you to-day

A visitor to Big Stone Gap recently remarked merited. There are several residents of Big Stone Gap who could deliver a lecture on almost any literary or historical subject that would attract attention in any of the metropolcan he find such a combination elsewhere, itan cities of the country. There are also some exceedingly able and astate lawyers, and all are men of enterprise and business sagacity. The only need has been organization. There are an abundance of brains heads but the trouble has been to get them together. The Commercial Club will do this, and we shall soon see the results of well directed and con-

Bristol has been going wild over the presence of Clara Louise Kellogg. Clara never had much of a voice, and what she had is now broken. She had a superb figure, however, though of late she has become coarsened by an excess of flesh. Her dresses are cut extremely decollete, and when she bows low to receive the unqualified support of the community as well as of the club. It was the spectators that the upper half of her will eternal vitality and fertility. Above all is spill out of the close fitting corset. It is funny to read the accounts of the performance in the Bristol papers.

AN ENGLISH VIEW.

What a Leading Manufacturing Journal of London Has To Say About the Resources and Future of

(London City Leader.) The city is full of rumors regarding a coming boom in American lands. Extraor-

dinary statements are being made as to grew serious these patrons of the great tions of different kinds would be held the enormous mineral wealth of the Southbanking house became dissatisfied with here and a large number of people brought ern States, which, if correct, must make their bargain. The firm dealt generously to the Gap who might not otherwise come. that district the bonaza of the future. Sir Lowthian Bell's advice to the members of the Iron and Steel Institute, to inspect the chase the securities, taxing their resources | ticularly, religious bodies, industrial con- | iron works of the Southern States, "where ventions and other gatherings would prefer the national resources are so enormous, to meet and hold their sessions at so has done much to direct the English mind to the wonderful developments now in progress in those districts. The return of the delegates is awaited with some exmeetings of the Commercial Club and for pectation, as their statements will, we think, be favorable to the country; for no one can study the remakable combination of resources which the South enjoys without being convinced that in natural advantages this section of the country the finest in the Union, if not in the world. In climate, soil, rivers, mineral and timber wealth, Nature seems to have done her very best for the South. Although crippled by a disastrons and deplorable war, she is now again leading the van of American progress. And it is largely Northern capital which is aiding her in her rise, and finally cementing a union that legislation could never perfect. United States Senator. Mr. Pat, Calhoun. The whole country pulsates with industrial Wall street an opportunity which they who tried to secure the Alliance support activity. Districts which a few years back by pandering to the wildest vagaries of were wholly occupied by farms, or which were unreclaimed from the forest, are now becoming centers of important manuvast sums are tied up in investments though eighty per cent of the legislature facturing and commercial industries. The which cannot be suddenly converted into were Alliance men, and Calhoun got the cry is no longer "Go West, young man," how in the Alliance causes. Gorbut "Go South." Peansylvania ironmasters are realizing the meaning of this Southern competition in coal and iron, enterprises which have been inaugurated and the country may be congratulated on whilst many Northern industries are being within the past few years in addition to the result. He proudly refused to endorse transferred en bloc to the more favorable

There is no doubt but that the center of "as Pennsylvania's most formidable industrial enemy in the future." Another au-"the South is the bonanza of the future," by the Hon, W. D. Kelley, to this the number of notes that have not only compelled the Western Union not far from fulfilment. Despite low prices been worn out, lost or destroyed by fire or Telegraph Company to reduce its rates on of iron and steel, and all other causes head and the blast howls through their a ponderous volume, of otherwise, and the amount will appear government messages, but he is doing all which generally retard the development in his power to establish a postal tele-lit is true the Silver bill provides for the graph system to be conducted under It must be borne in mind too that this of Wall street made an attack upon that 000,000 for every year during the past de-It must be borne in mind too that this law has but recently been in operation, while the decrease in the national bank currency has been going on for years.

Of Wall street made an attack upon that cade. How rapid the tide is flowing the minds of our people, who knew not where those endless marchings were leading the first half of the present year during the past accept. How rapid the tide is flowing the minds of our people, who knew not where those endless marchings were leading them and no soul could enlighten them as to the future. Add to this sick. United States during the first half of the present year during the past accept. How rapid the tide is flowing the minds of our people, who knew not where those endless marchings were leading them and no soul could enlighten them as to the future. Add to this sick.

Even increased railway facilities canrendered \$25,000,000 are secured by 412 for the republicans every day,-Cincinnati Commer- not cope with the amount of freight busimore cope with the analysis of the republicans every day.—Cinemian Commercial more cope with the analysis of the Southern railroads have placed in their hands. During the past nine came corrupted, Then the savages set on the Paris corresponds famed their blowds and their blood became corrupted. The Parisian public we Funeral notes are already heard from the months upwards of 3,000 new enterprises, those who feebly crept after the caravan, see Sarah Bernhardt's livin try, from the small say mill to the great wise thing for the democratic party to re- steel and iron works, have been organized, tire the Texas statesman on double pay, whilst the first week of last July saw The fall of Parnell is a pitiable conclusion to the political career of the Irish furnace-increase. Of the thirty-six iron "Finally, after 160 days' marching, we the theatre now-a-days furnaces now under construction in the emerged from the forest. Then our eyes was about to make his deb. fate of Sampson and of Antony. But, as United States, twenty-five are in the danced with rapture, for we beheld fresh in the newspapers just as a South. Moreover, while there are few or young grass spreading out into flowery Sardou and Shakespeare "For this, how many lose not only earth, but no other new furnaces projected in other fields and pasture, and then beyond round and he might divide the h parts of the country, there are probably and picturesquely monided hills. Such a Bernhardt and M. Garniat least twenty that w II be put under con- sight we hailed with shouts of praise and agined that he would retract in the South curing the next few load thanksgivings and murmurs of wor- nificent apotheosis, he may enough. But admitting all this industrial activity, the question naturally suggests it- birds, this summer loveliness of the land When he crawled out self, is the boom likely to be a real one? and the warm life and beauteous earth report to use an Americanism, has it come to posing in peace caused us to be lost in curiosity that there were community, after bearing bravely the restraints and disappointments of a young. The growth of ferns about Big Stone Gap is

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he boom.

Speaking generally, we believe the Southern boom to be a real and solid af
"In the beginning of 1886 the Arab he seen crawling over Sandard and Solid af
"In the beginning of 1886 the Arab he seen crawling over Sandard and Solid afthese plants at Mr. Addison's reception, ar- Southern boom to be a real and solid afranged by Mr. H. T. Ferguson, presented a fair. The resources of coal and iron are inmost entrancing and artistic display. The exhaustible. The minerals crop out upon cursions were made into this region, and the folds of her tunic. by gravitation from the mines. The im- 1887 they had gained a footing and they non? The calm death, wit portant point, however, is that most of built two stations, each one hundred contortions, and the last of the furnaces of the Southern States have miles apart, forming the apex of a trian- tra," of the woman, asking is claiming everything from gold to ginof Virginia have presented Hon. John E. Mastheir supplies of iron ore, coal and limegle. They began to hunt systematically
glass to see if she still remstone at their doors. Consequently, in for slaves. For twenty miles around they at the moment when she important item of transportation alone they looted and burned villages. nave a great advantage over their competitors in Pennsylvania and other North. ern and Western States, whose freight bills are particularly heavy. Further, the left standing. This was the reason that Southern ironmasters have generally water transportation of the most perfect kind, which has the beneficial effect of keeping down railroad rates. Hence, whilst new furnaces are rapidly being blown in in the South, despite declining barren fields or rocky ridges that are re- band, as you certainly know what will please are lying idle in preference to selling their moved from both coal and iron; way you most," which was very delicate and taste | products without a margin of profit or at

### Wedding at the Capital. WASHINGTON, Nov. 15,-The marriage of Mrs.

Therese Blackburn Stewart, daughter of Senator and Mrs. Blackburn, to Capt. Wm. Preble Hall, of th army, brought together this afternoon at St. John's church, a large assemblage of their friends. The gloom outside brought out in sharper contrast the

STANLEY IN AFRICA.

Graphic Description of the Dense Forests, the Jungle and the Tribes who Inhabit the Dark Continent.

TERRIBLE SUFFERING.

(From Stanley's New York Lecture.) "Our journey measured over 6,000 miles. The time occupied was 987 days. The first section of about 1,000 miles was along an unknown country by steamer up the Aruwimi river, to a place called Vambuva

The navigation was interrupted by rapids

one unbroken forest. SWELTERING GLOOM.

"The gloom is so great you can only the pot. We landed as compare it to the twilight of evening out the body of a wom.
You see the leafage rising up black and had been cut. Several green, impenetrable clumps of trees, some around, with materials of them rising to the heighth of two hundred and fifty teet. There is no symmetry, that of a sick woman, grace or softness, but all is wild, uncouth and awful. At every step you see masses encampment. of bewildering undergrowths, a wonderfule variety of plants. There is the absence to the caravan, who fell of any sense of decay, but rather the sense of the general healthfulness of the subsequently discovered plants, an enduring youth, exhaustless cumstantial evidence

wonders. "There is no longer any energy among the flesh. a protecting, impenetrable canopy. Sacred trees with leafy crowns tower above us. of the small and large a African mahogany, the unyielding iron tery useful in giving a wood, the butternut tree and other varieties too numerous to mention, all united in closest embrace, darkening the life be- they were of no earth low till it is suggestive of mystery and therefore, permitted to

"As we march silently, slowly and pain- did not want to be rel fully on the forest changes its aspect, and we note the labors of forgotten tribes and come to swampy grounds. One day our march is very slow through masses of forest wildness. On the next day we go through a more open section; on the following day through trowning depths and over ground strewn with dead leaves, of a pigmy tribe. Are wormeaten trunks or dried branches. But always and above all tower the prime- projecting horns at the val woods, the deep shadows unbroken save by the flashes of lightning-"On some days the march had to be her ankles were protected

prolonged beyond the usual hour for halt- of rings, so close to ing that had been fixed upon because of sembled a compact the difficulty of choosing a ground fit for waist was a breech cloth camp. For we bear with us tons of per- been about eighteen v ishable goods that have to be protected was as well developed from the floods of rain.

"But at last a suitable spot is found. The whistle is sounded and the loaded files come up, and one by one they deposit their burdens in due order. Then when lips full, and the the tents were erected the camp resounded with the sound of voices. Some men with axes, trim the poles of the tents or cut Some with knives peel the saplings I am much too pretty to utilize the bark for bedding. Some dig very well know what I am holes in the ground for the tent poles.

"In a couple of hours a little town would be seen and hundreds of fires would blaze and a hundred pots would be send- and trustworthy servaing up clouds of savory steam. The camp was animated and resounded with chatter. and it was all the louder because confined by the four sides of our forest home.

"After the guards were set around the camp we felt safe from the surprise of the recover their faculties the cannibals and those who wished were free to wander away. At such a time I have been sensible of the utter poverty of words to describe my surroundings. It was not a time for poetic brooding, but one after another the senses yielded to the the waist of these big fel charm of seclusion. Then I beheld a magnificent forest in listening attitude, a well they might be, and w great gloom, trees eloquent of antiquity might be their fate. and of venerable brotherhood

"During one year we noted 569 hours of rain, equaling one hour of rain in every fifteen of dry weather. It seems to us to be only one hour of sunny brightness to one of rain and gloom. We could observe in the forest that the sun was out only by "the South is merican adventhe coming Eldorado of American adven- The stems are wound around with parawhich has been surrendered and the bonds to secure which have been withdrawn by deposit with the treasury of lawful money for the redemption of the notes, there has been a still larger reduction of \$31,448,602.

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"But when the Storm King rises over. | Commander, is the book tops every tree seems to start into a mood of wailing and groaning as if it were but one key, and that is all some lost soul. During the hours of day- session of the Grand C light, even then these sounds are awful; but most secret records of the heard at night they are inexpressibly ter- | Supreme Council and the rerible. At times the whole camp is ablaze, but it is far mere comfortable than when the rain pours over the desolate scene in

"You can understand now what was in the high honor will go, in the were 1.598 miles, of which 1,114 were mess and depression, as they tossed their Rt. Rev. Thos. U. Dudley. dead companions into the dark river. Their feet were scarred as they marched along, alcers appeared and bad water inalong, their Alond has Etats-United their Etats-United has been selected as their the Or the savages lay in wait and shot their announced for so many week barbed arrows into the weary. In num- knew that it wasn't a berless ways they cut off our people, with nor an artificial thing, with lingering forture or sudden as the light- contrived spring to make ning strikes.

Such details are significant ship according to our respective faiths.

"The delicious grass, the warbling of ually spoiled the death."

fess that we have considerable faith in north to south and from west to east 520 ment, indeed. miles. It comprised 320,000 square miles.

"Before five months had passed there little snake, whose outline was a line of complete devastation 257 tunic of "Cleopatra" miles long. Not one village had been in 1887 for several months we suffered so much from hunger.

## HEWN PATHWAYS.

"We had to how our way through the inence. bush with the axe. So dense was it that its territory, in connection prices, many of the Pennsylvania furnaces our progress was at the rate of 400 yards are awakening the people to an hour for many days. After several in financial, educational and months' labor our pace increased to a terprise. Rev. J. B. F. Millmile and one mile and three-quarters per all these movements, and is hour, as the forest became less dense. Big Stone Gap Land and 1 yards for our guidance. By the time the Company, and aided us in whole column had passed the trail would handsome contribution in cabe pretty clear and would so remain for labored in that association perhaps six months. But on some days organized our work, and are the pioneers, despite the utmost care, would lose all knowledge of the direction Terry was our colporteur last in which they were going. Sometimes in-ability to pass a creek would compel them N. Plank.

to go inland, and then they much upon their wood know! the right direction. The ca quently wandering in the oral days before it could in way on the right course

"As we progressed furthe the difficulties that beset We would hear such cries ! as 'Game out to the right' swampy ground! 'Boggy gr Elephant pit right so on. These warnings, wh to prevent us from falling retarded the march.

A VICTIM IN "I once witnessed preucannibal dinner. One da opposite a village I fired air to give warning of the On foot next for 160 days we went through flotilla to an Arab chief that it was of a friendly it happened to frighten : who were about to pro that morning in the

Mr. Stanley then told off into the woods, and w clearly what disposition

"During the many ing in the forest," cont we must have capturecerning the country homes, although in

"One scouts fromment newly formed nighty ca while, they learned the vicious little creaturethus got hold of was a several polished is of twenty-five or twen were beautifully formed. filliert-shaped. The for face was singularly eves were expressive der treatment that she i her. She was ultimate care of the surgeon, wh won her from all thought a while she became so "In October, 1888, the

ponneed upon a colons . his wife or sister. them several tall S six feet to six feet four the top of the pigmy man

### GEN. PIKE'S HAND His Masonic Honors May Fall Dudley

Washington, D. C., No. is considered on the read to tion of his successor. It

### -----Sarah and Her Spain

and create an illusion for That sort of snake would "Clopatra" fin de siecle an

## Clinch Valley Develop (Report of Baptist As-

The Clinch Valley Asso terra incognita, is now con The great develo to see the fruits of our labo